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## Community Briefs

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### **TRIBUTE TO MARTY ROBBINS CONTINUES AT FRP**

FLAT ROCK -- Jason Petty, creator of last year's "Hank and My Honky Tonk Heroes," will present his tribute to Marty Robbins, "Marty's El Paso," at the Flat Rock Playhouse through Oct. 18. Showtimes are 2:15 p.m. today, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday and 8:15 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. Info: 693-0731.

### **OCTOBER FLIGHT WINE TASTINGS ARE SCHEDULED**

Flight Wood Grill, Main Street, will host these wine tastings on Wednesdays in October:

Oct. 14 -- Cooler temps, warmer wines.

Oct. 21 -- Best values.

Oct. 28 -- Spooky wines (the ones you're afraid to say).

Info: 694-1030.

### **SCHLARB COOKING CLASS SET AT RABBIT & COMPANY**

Tony Schlarb of "bbb COOK'S" will present an autumn cooking class Thursday, Oct. 22 and 29 at Rabbit & Company, 124 Fourth Ave. E. Schlarb will discuss and demonstrate a chicken braise kissed by grapes as well as hardy beef short ribs. Both served with basic risotto. Dessert will be a roasted apple compote and brown sugar short bread cookie. Classes begin at 6 p.m. and finish around 8 p.m. Info: 692-6100.

### **ANTIQUÉ QUILT SHOW, TEA AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

Hendersonville First Baptist Church, Fifth Avenue West, will play host to an Antique Quilt Show and Tea from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday. View quilts dating from the early 1800s through the 1950s from different parts of the country. Enjoy

instrumental music. Homemade deserts will be served. Quilts and other handcrafted items will be available for purchase.

Admission to the event is \$5 per adult and \$1.50 per child for 12 and under. All proceeds will benefit the Memory Maker Quilt Group ministry. Info: 697-0853 or cindy@bgs.cc.

### **BOOK SIGNINGS SET AT HENDERSONVILLE STORES**

Author and newspaper columnist, Wilson Casey, will be at Waldenbooks in the Four Seasons Mall for a book signing from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and at Mountain Lore Book Store on Main Street, from noon to 3 p.m. for another book signing.

Casey, a Spartanburg, S.C. county native, will be discussing and autographing his newest book, "Firsts: Origins of Everyday Things That Changed the World" (Penguin Publishing), an encyclopedic style work that celebrates the achievements of the some of the world's lesser known innovators.

Info: 864-621-7129 or e-mail trivguy@bellsouth.net.

### **SOUTHERN LIGHTS PLANS STATE FAIR DANCE**

Southern Lights Square Dance Club will play host to a State Fair Dance Saturday at the Whitmire Activity Center, Lily Pond Road.

As part of the theme, items will be judged in three categories -- handicrafts, baked goods and garden items. Ribbons will be awarded in each category.

Round dance class begins at 4 p.m., advanced tips at 6 p.m., early rounds at 7 p.m. and square and rounds at 7:30 p.m. Caller will be Stan Russell. Cuers will be Al and Lou Krech. For information, call 625-9969 or 698-4530.

### **CONSTITUTIONAL EXPERT LECTURE AT HHS AUDITORIUM**

The Henderson County 9-12 Project will present a lecture by famed author, lawyer and constitutional expert Robert A. Levy at 3 p.m. Saturday at Hendersonville High School Auditorium. The topic of his discussion will be Expanding Government, Losing Liberty.

Levy is chairman of the board of directors at the Cato Institute. His articles have appeared in the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, the Washington Post and many other publications. As an attorney, he appeared before the Supreme Court and successfully challenged Washington, D.C.'s gun ban on Second Amendment grounds.

An audience participation question and answer session will follow the lecture. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. Seating is limited. Info: 685-1070.

## **ME & THE BOYS TO PERFORM SATURDAY AT BRPAC**

The Blue Ridge Performing Arts Center, 538 N. Main St., will present, Me & The Boys at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Me & The Boys features Angela Heatherly (vocals), Terry Wetton (vocals, guitar, keyboards) and Cas Haskell (bass). The band has delighted local audiences with its special blend of soft rock for many years. Its concerts combine original material and special renditions of popular favorites.

For information, call 693-0087 from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, or visit [www.brpac.org](http://www.brpac.org).

## **BRCC MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATRE SATURDAY**

FLAT ROCK -- The Blue Ridge Community College Educational Foundation will present "Peace, Love and Apples," a murder mystery dinner theatre, at 6:30 p.m. Saturday in the Blue Ridge Conference Hall of the Technology Education Development Center on the campus of Blue Ridge Community College. This is part of a community celebration commemorating the college's 40th anniversary.

"Peace Love, and Apples (Getting to the Core of Blue Ridge Community College's Beginnings)," written by Jennifer Treadway, a not-so-historically accurate "mock"-umentary, takes an amusing, mostly fictional, look at the humble beginnings of Blue Ridge Community College, including fascinating interviews interwoven with a murder mystery in three acts. Tickets are \$40. Info: 694-1710 or visit [www.blueridge.edu/40th.php](http://www.blueridge.edu/40th.php).

## **PIANO/ORGAN CONCERT AT FIRST METHODIST SUNDAY**

First United Methodist Church of Hendersonville, Sixth Avenue West, will play host to a concert featuring Lynn Kitts, piano; Judy Meinzer, piano; and Michael S. Brannon, piano/organ at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18. For information, call 693-4275.

## **LAST FRENCH BROAD ECO TOUR OF THE YEAR SUNDAY**

ECO, the Environmental and Conservation Organization's final ECO-tour of the season, a canoe paddle of the Henderson County section of the French Broad, will be on Oct. 18. The tour will be preceded by a talk on the history and future of the French Broad at the Henderson County Public Library at 7 p.m. Tuesday by award-winning environmental reporter Harrison Metzger and photographer, Chris Clevenger.

The lecture on Tuesday will be followed by a two-hour canoe paddle on the Henderson County section of the French Broad at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday. Canoes and all of the equipment will be provided to participants, but space is extremely limited. The eco-tour is open to participants who are in good physical shape and

are able to help carry a canoe. Tickets for this event are available online at [www.eco-wnc.org](http://www.eco-wnc.org) or by calling the ECO office at 692-0385. Carpooling is set up for the eco-tour so participants are required to pre-register.

### **10TH ANNUAL HARVEST DINNER WITH THE STARS**

FLAT ROCK -- The Children & Family Resource Center will present its 10th annual Harvest Dinner with the Stars fundraising event Oct. 24, at the Kenmure Country Club.

The event begins with a cocktail and social hour at 6 p.m. and includes a gourmet meal, live auction and entertainment by local Henderson County youth.

Michael Edwards, a local actor and frequent performer at the Flat Rock Playhouse, will emcee the event.

The Harvest Dinner continues to highlight talented local youth. This year guests will be entertained by performances from Pat's School of Dance, a string quartet by members of the Hendersonville Symphony Youth Orchestra, and pianist Christopher Tavernier. The entertainment will continue with musical performances by the Agape Sunshine Singers and Molly Penny. Three members of the Flat Rock Playhouse YouTheatre's Junior Vagabonds will perform skits and monologues.

A live auction will take place and includes items ranging from a catered gourmet dinner from Saluda Grade Cafe to a week-long stay at a private residence in Kiawah Island.

Reservations are required. The cost is \$150 per person. Info: 698-0674, visit [www.childrenandfamily.org](http://www.childrenandfamily.org), or e-mail [info@childrenandfamily.org](mailto:info@childrenandfamily.org).

### **CHILI-IN OUT BY THE LAKE TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE**

The Arts Council of Henderson County will present the second annual "Chili-in Out by the Lake" fall fundraiser on the shores of Highland Lake at the Highland Lake Lodge and Spa, from 4 to 7 p.m. Oct. 25.

In addition to great food, entertainment will be provided by local singer Carol Duermit and her band, plus a special music preview of "Heaven In Your Pocket." "Heaven" is a new musical originally presented in the 2008 New York Musical Theatre Festival and directed by Arts Council member, Frances Cullinan. Workshop productions of "Heaven In Your Pocket" are Nov. 7 and 8.

Paddleboats and canoes will be available to enjoy the fall colors from a different point of view.

Tickets are \$45 (\$40 for Arts Council members. Proceeds benefit the community and educational programs of the non-profit Arts Council of Henderson County.

Order tickets by calling the Arts Council at 693-8504 or at the office at 538 N. Main St., second floor in downtown Hendersonville.

Info: 693-8504 or [acofhc@bellsouth.net](mailto:acofhc@bellsouth.net).

### **MUSIC AT THE BACK ROOM**

FLAT ROCK -- The Back Room of the Flat Rock Wine Shoppe, 2702 Greenville Highway will offer a variety of music this week:

u Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. -- Emily White has been performing throughout the Midwest and Northeast over the past two years, sharing her introspective songs and unique stage presence with audiences from Omaha to Miami.

u Thursday, 8:30 p.m. -- Amanda and Pete "Honeycutters Duo." Their original Americana, ranging from country ballads to honky-a-billy and blues, is a memorable blend of catchy melody, skillful composition and honest songwriting.

u Friday, 9 p.m. -- William F. Gibbs. "William F. Gibbs is melting together garage music sounds with the great gospel spirit to create an interesting soundtrack for the neo-religious/spiritual groups ... u Saturday, 9 p.m. -- Chris Cates and the Master Plan. Cates's award winning music has been featured all over the world on radio and TV. "Carolina Songs," the band's latest release, has been featured on UNC TV and has been praised by critics for its emotional songwriting and excellent musicianship.

Info: 697-6828.

### **ALL HOT HASH DANCE AT HILLANDALE ELEMENTARY**

EAST FLAT ROCK -- Southern Lights Square Dance Club will host an "All Hot Hash Dance" from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 at Hillandale Elementary School, 900 W. Blue Ridge Road. Stan Russel will be caller. Info: 625-9969.

### **TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY LEARN ABOUT PARANORMAL RESEARCH AT TCARTS**

BREVARD -- On Oct. 23, from 6 to 11 p.m. you can find out about full-bodied apparitions and go on a ghost hunt, courtesy of the Transylvania Community Arts Council.

Joshua P. Warren, a paranormal investigator and ghost hunter from Asheville, will give a talk and demonstration at a private, reportedly haunted, home in Brevard. His program is "Facing Full-Bodied Apparitions."

Only 50 tickets will be sold for this event. The \$99 ticket cost includes a reception with the Guerrilla Divas. Enjoy learning about paranormal research, while exploring

a home where energies are known to exist. Reserve your ticket now by calling 884-2787.

### **POLK ORGANIST/PIANIST SZAFRON IN CONCERT AT FENCE**

TRYON -- Organist and pianist Brennan Szafron will be the featured performer at this month's FENCE Family Concert in Tryon at 4 p.m. Sunday. Szafron, who has degrees in music from the University of Michigan, Yale University and the University of Alberta in his native Canada, is the organist and choirmaster at the Episcopal Church of the Advent in Spartanburg, where he directs the adult and children's choirs in addition to playing at services. He has performed at the National Cathedral in Washington and in Europe, and frequently appears with the Spartanburg Philharmonic.

Info: 859-9021.

### **BUNCOMBE BONNIE RAITT CONCERT AT THOMAS WOLFE**

ASHEVILLE -- Rock 'n' roll Hall of Famer Bonnie Raitt will perform at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Thomas Wolfe Auditorium, 87 Haywood St. She will perform the hits that made her famous along with the Randall Bramblett Band. Tickets range from \$52.50 to \$42.50. To order, call 800-745-3000.

### **WNC CHAMBER MUSIC RECITAL AT WESTERN CAROLINA**

CULLOWHEE -- Faculty members from Western Carolina University's School of Music will present "Beyond the Wall: A Chamber Music Recital" at 8 p.m. Thursday, in the recital hall of WCU's Coulter Building. Performing will be Ian Jeffress, saxophone; Mary Kay Bauer, soprano; Andrew Adams, piano; and Jason Solomon, guitar. Qiao Solomon, violinist and professor of music at Agnes Scott College in Atlanta, Ga. also will perform.

The program features works that explore a common theme of traveling beyond boundaries, whether physical, metaphorical or spiritual, said Jeffress.

Info: 227-7242.

### **ASO'S 'A MOUNTAIN HOMECOMING'**

ASHEVILLE -- The Asheville Symphony Orchestra will present "A Mountain Homecoming" concert featuring violinist Noah Bendix-Balgley at 8 p.m. Saturday at Thomas Wolfe Auditorium. Info: 254-7046 or [www.ashevillesymphony.org](http://www.ashevillesymphony.org).

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